

# EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE ROUNDTABLE

Hosted by Senator Carol Liu

*May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011*

*3pm to 5pm*

*The California Endowment*

*1000 N. Alameda Street*

*Los Angeles, CA 90012*

## AGENDA

### **I:** Introductions

### **II:** Discussion: Impact of Budget Action taken to date and May Revision on Child Development Programs

#### A. 10% reduction of Standard Reimbursement Rates (SRR)

1. Update on the status of SB 69
2. Alternatives to the 10% SRR cut
  - i. Can changes be made within the existing child development budget?
  - ii. What percentage of cuts to the SRR can be made with the child care infrastructure still intact?
  - iii. Would programs benefit if the cut was unallocated, either confined to the preschool or across-the-board?

#### B. Accuracy of the caseload estimates for Stages 2 and 3 child care

### **III:** Discussion: Potential strategies and solutions to fill funding gaps

#### A. Update on Suggestions from Last Roundtable

1. Move the After School Education and Safety Program (ASES) to CDE's Child Development Division
2. Simplify access and utilization of existing State Preschool and General Child Care programs to improve access for families and administration for program providers

*Note: We would like specific recommendations for exactly how access should be simplified.*
3. Collapse State Preschool and General Child Care into one program
4. Consider aligning AP contracts to Resource and Referral Service Areas in order to increase access for families to AP services
5. Include language authorizing temporary use of federal funds to pay for stage 3 child care

### **IV:** Agree Upon Solutions

### **V:** Follow-Up Tasks and Assignments

### **VI:** Set Next Meeting